

When is an ECG/EKG required? (Updated 11/30/2016)

Class	Applicant age on day of exam	EGG is required at the following intervals
1 st	34 or younger	not required
	35 to 39	A single baseline ECG is required at the first exam performed after reaching the 35th birthday .
	40 or older	Annually
2 nd or 3 rd	Any	Not required* *If the AME performed an EKG, it should be submitted along with notes in Block 60 describing why it was performed.

Other times an ECG/EKG can be requested by an AME (All classes):

Any time the airman has a history or physical examination finding that suggests a clinically significant abnormality.

Substitution for an ECG/EKG:

If a first-class airman does not have a current resting ECG on file, but the FAA has the tracings of any type of stress test (pharmaceutical stress, Bruce stress, nuclear stress, or stress echocardiogram) which was done within the last 60 days, the information **may** be accepted on a case-by-case basis. The image must be of good quality. Stress test or ECG images that have been faxed do not have enough clarity/definition for adequate review. In most cases, they will not be acceptable. A cardiac catheterization and/or a Holter monitor test are NOT acceptable in place of a resting 12-lead ECG.

Additional Work-Up/Evaluation (All classes):

If additional work up was performed based on history or ECG findings, copies of the work up (cardiovascular evaluation, clinic notes, stress testing, etc.) should also be submitted to the FAA with notes in Block 60 describing the findings. If any pathology was identified, refer to the appropriate, individual section.

AMCS notification regarding ECG will appear as:

1. ECG is Required:

A Red X will precede the words ECG Date. No date will be in the box.

A screenshot of the AMCS interface. It shows a blue header bar with the number '58.' in white. Below the header, the text 'X ECG Date:' is displayed in red, followed by a grey rectangular input box. To the right of the box, the text '(Date will get filled in when an ECG is uploaded)' is shown in a smaller, grey font.

2. ECG is Not Required:

The AMCS screen will show the word "Ok" along with a date in the box.

A screenshot of the AMCS interface. It shows a blue header bar with the number '58.' in white. Below the header, the text 'Ok ECG Date:' is displayed in green, followed by a grey rectangular input box. To the right of the box, the text '(Date will get filled in when an ECG is uploaded)' is shown in a smaller, grey font.

(Figure 1)

Can I submit an ECG performed on a day other than the date of exam?

Yes, but it must be considered current.